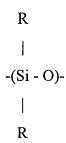
Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently amended) A granulated foam control composition comprising:
- (i) a foam control agent comprising;

a polydiorganosiloxane fluid comprising units of the formula



where each group R, which may be the same or different, is selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 36 carbon atoms or an aryl group or aralkyl group having up to 36 carbon atoms, the mean number of carbon atoms in the groups R being at least 1.3;

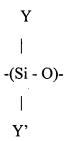
a hydrophobic filler dispersed in the polydiorganosiloxane fluid; and optionally an organosilicon resin; and

(ii) an additive composition having a melting point of at least 35°C comprising:

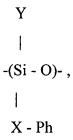
5-50 parts by weight of a non-polar polyol ester (A) which is a polyol esterified by carboxylate groups each having 7 to 36 carbon atoms, wherein for a diol or a triol at least 90% of the hydroxyl groups of the polyol are esterified, and for higher polyols at least 70% of the hydroxyl groups of the polyol are esterified; and

50-95 parts by weight of a component (B) which is miscible with component (A) and is more polar than component (A), at least one of (A) and (B) being miscible with the polysiloxane fluid; wherein the foam control agent (i) and the additive composition (ii) are supported on a particulate carrier with the proviso that a mixture of (i) and (ii) is deposited onto the particulate carrier in non-aqueous liquid form.

2. (Currently amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the polydiorganosiloxane fluid is a polysiloxane comprising at least 10% diorganosiloxane units of the formula



and up to 90% diorganosiloxane units of the formula



wherein X denotes a divalent aliphatic organic group bonded to silicon through a carbon atom; Ph denotes an aromatic group; Y denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms; and Y' denotes an aliphatic hydrocarbon group having 1 to 24 carbon atoms with the proviso that the mean number of carbon atoms in the groups R is at least 1.3.

3. (Original) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the polydiorganosiloxane fluid is a polysiloxane comprising 50-100% diorganosiloxane units of the formula

and optionally up to 50% diorganosiloxane units of the formula

wherein Y denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 4 carbon atoms and Z denotes an alkyl group having 6 to 18 carbon atoms.

- 4. (Currently amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the <u>non-polar</u> polyol ester (A) is a glycerol triester.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the <u>non-polar</u> polyol ester (A) is <u>a polyol</u> substantially fully esterified by carboxylate groups each having 14 to 22 carbon atoms.

- 6. (Currently amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the component (B) contains unesterified –OH groups which are more polar than the carboxylate ester groups of <u>non-polar</u> polyol ester (A).
- 7. (Original) A foam control composition according to Claim 6, characterized in that the component (B) is a glycerol mono- or di-ester of a carboxylic acid having 8 to 30 carbon atoms.
- 8. (Original) A foam control composition according to Claim 7, characterized in that the additive composition comprises 10-50 parts by weight glycerol tristearate and 50-90 parts by weight glycerol monostearate and/or glycerol distearate.
- 9. (Original) A foam control composition according to Claim 6, characterized in that the component (B) is an alkylphenol in which the alkyl substituent or substituents has a total of 6 to 12 carbon atoms.
- 10. (Original) A foam control composition according to Claim 6, characterized in that the component (B) is an ethoxylated fatty alcohol which contains 1 to 10 oxyethylene units and in which the alkyl group of the fatty alcohol contains 14 to 24 carbon atoms.
- 11. (Currently amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the component (B) contains groups more polar than the carboxylate ester groups of <u>non-polar</u> polyol ester (A) which are carboxylic acid groups.
- 12. (Currently amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that component (B) contains amide or amino groups more polar than the carboxylate ester groups of non-polar polyol ester (A).
- 13. (Canceled).

14. (Currently Amended) A foam control composition according to Claim <u>2</u> 13, characterized in that the non-polar component polyol ester (A) comprises at least one paraffin wax, optionally blended with microcrystalline wax.

15. (Canceled).

16. (Original) A foam control composition according to claim 15, characterized in that the organosilicon resin is a siloxane resin consisting of monovalent trihydrocarbonsiloxy (M) groups of the formula R"₃SiO_{1/2} and tetrafunctional (Q) groups SiO_{4/2} wherein R" denotes an alkyl group and the number ratio of M groups to Q groups is in the range 0.4:1 to 1.1:1.

17. (Currently Amended) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the composition further contains a hydrophobic filler with has an average particle size of from 0.5 to 30μm.

18. (Previously presented) A foam control composition according to Claim 1, characterized in that the additive composition is present at 20-200% by weight based on the polysiloxane fluid.

19. (Canceled).

20. (Currently Amended) A granulated foam control agent according to Claim 19, characterized in that a water-soluble or water-dispersible binder is also deposited supported on the particulate carrier particles.

21. (Cancelled).

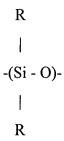
22. (Cancelled).

23. (Cancelled).

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- 24. (New) A method of manufacturing a granulated foam control composition comprising: mixing:
- (i) a foam control agent comprising:

a polydiorganosiloxane fluid comprising units of the formula



where each group R, which may be the same or different, is selected from an alkyl group having 1 to 36 carbon atoms or an aryl group or aralkyl group having up to 36 carbon atoms, the mean number of carbon atoms in the groups R being at least 1.3;

a hydrophobic filler dispersed in the polydiorganosiloxane fluid; and optionally an organosilicon resin;

and

(ii) an additive composition having a melting point of at least 35°C comprising:

5-50 parts by weight of a non-polar polyol ester (A) which is a polyol esterified by carboxylate groups each having 7 to 36 carbon atoms, wherein for a diol or a triol at least 90% of the hydroxyl groups of the polyol are esterified, and for higher polyols at least 70% of the hydroxyl groups of the polyol are esterified; and

50-95 parts by weight of a component (B) which is miscible with component (A) and is more polar than component (A), at least one of (A) and (B) being miscible with the polysiloxane fluid; and

depositing the mixture of (i) and (ii) on a particulate carrier with the proviso that the mixture of (i) and (ii) is in non-aqueous liquid form prior to depositing it onto the particulate carrier.

25. (New) A method according to Claim 24, wherein the polyol ester (A) is a glycerol triester.